

RPM Act would ensure that this doesn't happen, permanently protecting this practice.

The racing industry has a rich history, and I believe it should be protected from burdensome regulatory barriers.

CALLING FOR SWIFT CEASE-FIRE

(Mr. BOWMAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. BOWMAN. Madam Speaker, the violence that is unfolding in Palestine and Israel is tragic and urgent. I rise today to voice my strong support for a swift cease-fire.

I have heard directly from my constituents in New York's 16th Congressional District. Parents with children living in both Israel and Palestine have written in, and their fear for their children's safety is palpable.

Their voices are with me today and have made this situation personal. This is the worst escalation of violence in the region in years.

I have continually called for President Biden to step in and rapidly broker a cease-fire to deescalate the situation, end the occupation, and finally find peace.

To that end, I will introduce a resolution calling for an immediate cease-fire and diplomatic efforts to resume in earnest, which is a resolution Senator SANDERS has led in the Senate. We have to do more. We must do more.

SUPPORTING ISRAEL OVER HAMAS

(Mr. BUDD asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BUDD. Madam Speaker, I rise to deliver a clear message: The United States must stand shoulder to shoulder with the State of Israel. The choice for the politicians in this Chamber should be simple.

On one side, you have Hamas, a terrorist organization that fired thousands of rockets at civilians in Israel. Their founding charter even calls for Israel's destruction.

On the other side, you have Israel, the only democracy in the Middle East. They are our longtime friend and ally, and they are a force for stability in the region.

The deescalation of this conflict should begin and end with Hamas. They must stop their terrorist attacks on Israeli citizens immediately.

Until they do, Israel has every right to defend themselves, and the United States of America should have their back.

HONORING THE LIFE OF DENISE BURSTEIN

(Ms. DEAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. DEAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to remember and honor my constituent and friend, Denise Burstein. Denise passed away on May 13 due to complications related to ALS.

She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, and community leader. She was a woman of diverse passions and talent, an avid knitter, quilter, radio operator, and I recently learned that she had a black belt in karate.

She devoted her life to helping others, working as a school speech and language therapist and continuing to help children even after her retirement.

She was first to volunteer, whether it was as a local committeeperson with the Boy Scouts, coaching, training therapy dogs, or, after her diagnosis, helping spread awareness of ALS.

To know Denise is to know her husband, Frank. They are two parts of a single smile, wonderful hosts whose brunches are the places to be for friendship, politics, and delicious food.

I join Denise's family, friends, and wider community in mourning the loss of an incredible woman. I am better for having known her.

HONORING THE LIFE OF HANK HUCKABY

(Mr. CARTER of Georgia asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today with a heavy heart to remember and honor Hank Huckabee, who passed away on April 14 at the age of 79.

Hank was a lifelong public servant who served the State of Georgia in numerous capacities for more than 50 years. He held a number of top roles in Georgia government and education, including chancellor of Georgia's public colleges and universities, executive director of the Georgia Housing and Finance Authority, director of the Office of Planning and Budget, and in the Georgia House of Representatives.

Put simply, Hank was devoted to serving the people of Georgia. His public service extended out of the workplace, volunteering his time and leadership in various civic and religious organizations throughout his life.

Madam Speaker, Hank Huckabee was a graduate of Young Harris College, and I had the privilege of serving with him on the board of trustees of Young Harris College. He loved Young Harris College, and Young Harris College loved him.

Hank was a strong leader, a source of strength, and a true friend to all who knew him. He will be greatly missed.

My thoughts and prayers are with his family, friends, and all who knew him during this most difficult time.

SENATE MUST SUPPORT COMMISSION ON JANUARY 6 SIEGE

(Mr. SCHNEIDER asked and was given permission to address the House

for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SCHNEIDER. Madam Speaker, I rise in support of the bipartisan national commission to investigate the January 6 siege on the Capitol.

I was in this Chamber that day. I took cover in the gallery as police barred the door and drew their guns. I escaped with my colleagues to watch from a secure location to watch the last vestiges of the attack play out. I was proud to return to this Chamber that night to complete our constitutional duty.

The events that transpired on January 6 on these grounds were not just an attack on the building and the people who work here. It was an effort to undermine our democracy and steal an election.

The immediate threat to the Capitol was repelled, but the threat to our democracy remains. Every American who believes our Constitution is the bedrock of our Nation should demand this commission, demand that we understand what conditions led up to and enabled the January 6 insurrection, and ensure that nothing like it happens again.

It is now up to the Senate to pass the bill for the good of our country. If not, the House must be prepared to proceed on its own.

HONORING RICH O'BRIEN

(Ms. MACE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. MACE. Madam Speaker, today, I rise to speak on behalf of a great American and constituent of mine, Rich O'Brien.

Rich's story is one that inspires hope. He is the operations manager for PGA HOPE Charleston. PGA HOPE stands for Helping Our Patriots Everywhere, and it is the PGA's flagship program to do military outreach.

As one of the leaders of the golf therapy movement, he is a testament to hope. Madam Speaker, 12½ years ago, he was on his deathbed, paralyzed from the neck down after a catastrophic injury where he broke his back, his neck, and had four skull fracture injuries and brain damage in every lobe. Rich died three times at the scene of the accident before an EMT was able to revive him and eventually place him into an induced coma.

He was lucky, though, and eventually regained feeling in his fingers and toes and learned to walk and talk again. He was able to use golf therapy to rehabilitate his injuries.

Following his own recovery, he started helping others to use golf therapy and became an advocate for others with disabilities. As Charleston welcomes the PGA Championship this weekend, Rich deserves applause and praise for his charity and willingness to help other veterans like him through golf therapy.